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Mr. Hill as Martyr.

Greater love hath no politician than this, that he give his political life for his candidate.

David B. Hill claims this crown of martyrdom. As a politician, he is the independent of New York, who has been the target of Judge Parker because of his intimacy with the candidate, badgered by Tammany, which threatens opposition if a Hill man is nominated for governor, the sage of Wolfert's Roost announces retirement from the political leadership at the close of the present year. He says in effect to the one crowd, "Turn in and work for Parker, and I have no fear of encountering me in case of his election." To the other crowd he says, "Help put a democrat in the chair at Albany, and I promise you not to manipulate him to any ends of mine. Count me out on and after January 1st."

Though well intended, this announcement betrays the weakness of the democratic situation in New York. It goes to confirm the reports of the distrust of Judge Parker in his own party. It strengthens suspicion of his spinelessness. Surely things are in bad shape when Mr. Hill feels it necessary in the party's behalf to assure the people that he has no designs on his friend. If Judge Parker were the leader he is held up to by his admirers no man's self-effacement would be required. Reliance would be on the candidate, beset as he might be by a thousand temptations and bad advisers.

Let us take Mr. Hill at his word, and believe that he means well for his friend. Could he effect himself? He was born a politician. The opinion prevails in New York that his first wall as an infant was in the form of a stump speech, and his next a call for a caucus. He thinks, eats, drinks and dreams politics. Without a family, different to society, he gives his whole time to the law and to the party of which at home he has for years been both the thinking and the acting head. How could he, a vigorous man of sixty, efface himself, with a democrat in the White House as the result of his efforts, and another in the state house at Albany right under his nose? He might not care for office for himself, but he would be the power behind the throne at both points.

The anti-Hill cry in New York in democratic circles is largely cant and hypocrisy. But for Mr. Hill there would today be no Parker. The nomination at St. Louis would have gone elsewhere, and on a platform more objectionable than the one he built at that twenty-four hours of jabber and turmoil. The Artful Dodger has brought in the "wipes." Why should Mr. Fagin denounce him and threaten him with the police?

A Bad Day.

Yesterday was not a good day for the advocates of the automobile as a safe machine. In fact, it was a particularly bad day. It resulted in the death of three people and the serious injury of eight. And the record may not be complete at that. Worst of all the disasters was that at St. Louis, where a racing machine, driven at very high speed on a track, ran into the enclosure fence and killed two people standing outside of the racing way and badly hurt its driver. The explanation given is that the dust raised by the leading machine blinded the chauffeur and caused him to swerve into the fence. At Springfield, Ohio, an automobilist was found dead under his car, which bore signs of having been sent at top speed when the accident occurred. At Newport an automobile collided with a wagon and threw four people against a tree, badly hurting them. At Yonkers, N. Y., an automobilist tried to cut around a buggy in a roadway and upset it, throwing a woman to the ground and seriously injuring her. At Atlantic Highlands, N. J., an automobile has overturned in an effort to avoid a collision with a carriage and the two occupants were badly hurt. Besides these casualties a Newport chauffeur was jailed for excessive speeding and a New Jersey man saw his new machine explode.

The truth is that the automobile is a delicate machine which calls for the most careful handling. As a racing device it is especially dangerous. It has the power and speed of a locomotive and the least swerving from its course is attended with perilous consequences. On the road or the street it can be handled with admirable accuracy if under perfect control, and in the hands of the expert it is susceptible of perfectly safe management. But the licensing laws are not sufficiently strict and the levers are entrusted to inexperienced operators who fail to realize the responsibilities attaching to such a role. They take desperate chances for the sake of pinching the minutes and the seconds. The owner of the machine, when running it himself, feels that he is not getting the full value of his investment if he does not crowd on the speed at every opportunity and cut corners and dodge pedestrians and other vehicles with the narrowest possible margin. The wonder is that there are not more accidents, and yet the record is appalling as it stands.

Prof. Wiley does not hesitate to comment on the adulterations of alcoholic beverages, despite the arguments he is putting in the hands of the prohibition party in this campaign.

David B. Hill's announcement that he will retire from politics recalls the fact that very few people consider a New Year's resolution absolutely binding.

Some Parker Reflections.

John W. Spencer, a prominent democratic politician of Evansville, Ind., recently paid his respects to Judge Parker at Rosemont. Interviewed upon his return home, Mr. Spencer spoke as follows as to the candidate:

"His whole action, manner and bearing show him to be a lovable man with purity of heart and honesty of purpose, so much so that the magnetism in him is very perceptible. He is neither optimistic nor pessimistic. His statements are conservative. One statement of his struck me with great force, it was: 'If I can be the instrument, not the means, of bringing together the discordant of our great party I will have been useful to my country, for it is only through the advocacy of democracy that constitutional government will be maintained.'"

Mr. Spencer was asked what Judge Parker referred to when he spoke of the "discordant of our great party." He said that he understood him to refer to the dissensions that had arisen over the issues of the past eight years, all of which he hoped his nomination would set at rest. One hears this same sentiment expressed

by some of Judge Parker's supporters. Great good will have been accomplished, they declare, even if the St. Louis ticket is defeated. A fairly satisfactory union of the two democratic factions has been effected, and this of itself will inspire good hope for 1908.

But has such a union been effected? Mr. Bryan does not talk like it, nor do the gold democrats. The Nebraska, in the frank terms, advertises a new crusade as soon as this election is over. Regardless of the November result, Mr. Bryan will take the field and begin organizing his friends for a fight for state socialism. How many of them will respond is a question. But it is certain that no gold democrat will. Called to choose between Mr. Bryan's new program and republicanism, the gold democrats, to a man, will make the choice they did in 1896 and 1900.

If Judge Parker is defeated everything in the democratic household will be chaotic again. He will probably drop out of further political consideration, and a new man will be sought, and new issues also, by what is called the conservative wing of the party. Personally Judge Parker will not be injured. He will simply return to the law and will become a prominent figure at the bar. It is easy to imagine him locating in Greater New York at the head of a law firm, and thriving, as other defeated candidates for political office have done. Mr. Bryan's philosophical paraphrase of a tender sentiment applied to himself will soothe Judge Parker. He will feel that it was better to have run and lost than never to have run at all. A presidential nomination is a pretty big thing in itself, as is shown by the effort that some pretty big names make to secure it. Of course, Judge Parker wants to win, and the managers of his campaign will strive to win, but failure is not absent from their thoughts.

The War News.

So far from abandoning their work in the Russo-Japanese war, the Japanese have fallen of Port Arthur, the Japanese have evidently held strictly to their program of forcing Kuropatkin either to fight a decisive battle or to fall back farther along the railroad toward Mukden and Harbin. The reports of the recent fighting around Liao Yang show that the Japanese armies have not been weakened by any appreciable extent of retreat. On the contrary there is evidence of additional troops having been organized into a formidable flanking column on the west side of the railroad line. The dispatches from St. Petersburg indicate that this force is being anxiously watched by the Russian generals, and that they are considering the advisability of a general retreat toward Mukden in consequence of its activity.

The report from Tokyo that the railroad line between Liao Yang and Mukden has been cut lacks confirmation. Indeed there is no diminution of the volume of the telegraphic messages which are going north from Liao Yang, indicating that if the Japanese have cut the railroad they have not neglected to cut the telegraph lines as well—an impossible assumption—or have executed this important strategic movement very lately. If it is true that the line is cut and that a Japanese force now holds the road to Mukden Kuropatkin must either cut his way through that army in retreat or fight to a finish at Liao Yang.

St. Petersburg acknowledges that all the outstanding defensive positions around Liao Yang have been abandoned and that a concentration of Kuropatkin's army at the city itself is in progress. This shows both a tendency toward further "masterly retreating" and an acknowledgment of the superiority of the Japanese forces. If the Russian commander succeeds in extending his army reasonably intact from Liao Yang and places it at Mukden or some strong position between there and Liao Yang the war will be further prolonged. If on the other hand he is checked in his retreat and forced to fight, the greater numbers of the Japanese leave no room for doubt of the capture or annihilation of his army. In that event it is difficult to see how Russia can continue the campaign.

That the fall of Port Arthur is now only a question of time cannot be questioned. But how long it can withstand the remarkable assaults of the Japanese, who are seemingly indifferent to their losses, remains to be seen. Some reports suggest that the capture of the city would be the end of only a few very days, while others indicate that the Russians can hold out two months longer. Apparently the Russian government has abandoned all hope of the success of the place and is merely anxious that its capture should cost Japan as heavily as possible.

Chairman Cowherd.

Maybe Mr. Belmont and his friends will do something for Chairman Cowherd later. Probably they are waiting, as Mr. Davis is thought to be, for an exhibit warranting an investment. The New Yorkers are a canny lot in their political activities. The "sucker" is not found until you get as far down as men of the every type, who invest money for advertising purposes. Men like Belmont and Sheehan get all the advertising they care for in the ordinary course of affairs. It is not for a moment to be supposed that there is any lack of money in democratic circles. Everything warrants the assertion that the managers are flush and know where to put their hands for more. But, as business men, who rate everything commercially, they demand an invoice before they draw a check.

The champion fool election bet is reported from St. Louis, Mo., where a man is said to have agreed to commit suicide if the republic ticket is defeated. If his opponent should win the wager and insist on a fulfillment of its terms a controversy is likely to ensue that will make the Shylock-Antonio episode seem like child's play.

Mr. Davis is sure that the democrats will carry West Virginia, and Mr. Fairbanks has no doubt that Indiana is safe for the republicans. The sage about a prophet being without honor in his own country is not carrying much weight in this campaign.

There is no doubt that the efforts of some of the "good trusts" to protect themselves are taken advantage of by a number of pernicious corporations that flourish side by side with them.

Thomas Watson continues to devote his talk to national topics despite the local conditions in Georgia which are crying out for statesmanlike guidance.

Mr. Tom Lawson thinks of going into politics. If there is any trouble and excitement within reach, Mr. Lawson is pretty sure to have his share of it.

Neither party has ever been able to secure a monopoly of the people who think it is all over except the shouting.

The Sultan of Turkey has become so accustomed to hairbreadth escapes that he rather enjoys them.

What's This?

The other day the New York World printed a double-page "open letter" to President Roosevelt ostensibly attacking him on his record by quoting phrases from his public utterances purporting to show his strenuous, militant character. Immediately one of the republican dailies of New York chided the editor of the World for having betrayed the Parker cause by giving publicity to the very qualities and words of Mr. Roosevelt for which he is so

day most generally admired by the people. The World has made no reply to this indictment, unless, indeed, it was contained in yesterday's issue in the form of the regular weekly "music supplement." That four-page sheet was no less than a republican marching song, so styled, and under the title, "We Want Parker Four Years More." Besides rising to amazement when on the title page, blazoned in letters forming part of the very lithographic design, were to be seen the words, "Written Especially for the New York World." There could be no mistake about it. Nor was the song itself susceptible of a sinister interpretation. It rang true to the republican doctrine and candidate. No Parker man, heart and soul, for him of Esopus, could sing that song feeling that it was making democratic votes. Now surely it is up to the World to explain, first the charge of its accuser who declares that it quoted Mr. Roosevelt's words in order to help him, and next this song sheet.

Jerry Simpson.

It is sad news that comes from New Mexico. Jerry Simpson, now a resident of the territory, aspired to the democratic nomination for delegate in Congress, but was defeated. Mr. Simpson apostatized at the wrong time. Populism, which was his early love, is getting to be chipped again under Tom Watson's leadership, and there may be something in it for its votaries. But fortune otherwise has been good to Mr. Simpson. When he set out ten or a dozen years ago to reform the world he had plenty of time for his mission. His theories composed the bulk of his possessions. There was nothing else to occupy him. Now he is in snug circumstances and is able to look at the world serenely in the face. And it is the same old world, without a trace of any reform he ever advocated.

Raisouli refuses to have his picture taken because such a procedure is contrary to the teachings of the Mohammedan faith. His determination also hampers the people who are making collections of rogues' galleries.

The family who had no small boys injured on Independence day nor drowned while bathing may account the summer a success despite the ominous outlook for meat and coal.

President Castro of Venezuela has his faults, but he has managed to hold on to his position longer than most South American presidents in his line of business.

Mr. Odell is a little perplexed by the problem of keeping the governorship of New York up to the standard at which it has hitherto been maintained.

Many a Chinaman easily remembers the time when he regarded Japan as a country that didn't amount to much.

SHOOTING STARS.

Bested.

"Do you feel rested after your vacation?" "Yes," replied the man of misanthropic tendencies. "After all that railway travel and sun burn and rowing and tennis ordinary work seems like blissful repose."

Not Presuming.

"Are you thinking that parrot to swear?" asked the benevolent-looking lady, with unwonted indignation in her tone.

"Bless you, ma'am," answered the old sailor. "No, indeed, ma'am. I'm taking lessons."

A Financier.

I want I was a candidate. I'd travel round the country, say, 'An' say, 'Good mornin', Mistuh Jones,' 'An' 'Howdy, Mistuh Brown,' 'I'd have roas' pork an' chicken, too, 'I'd trade politeness off for votes, 'An' trade de votes for cash."

His Resolve.

"When you first entered politics," said the young man who is looking for knowledge, "did you set out with the determination to win at any cost?"

"No," answered Senator Sorghum. "I set out with the determination to win at as little expense as possible."

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"Is Count Pucash engaged to your daughter?" "No," answered Mr. Cumrox. "He isn't exactly engaged. But she has an option on him."

Pilgrimage.

When I get to the end of the rainbow some day, I won't do a thing but be happy and play. For there one is certain to find, we are told, A pot overflowing with glittering gold.

The journey is long, but you meet as you go A company large that continues to grow. It's good company, too; some are grave and some gay, Like those Canterbury once tempted to stray.

But fast as you fare, still afar doth it glow, Yet you still travel on and you sing as you go.

"When I get to the end of the rainbow some day, I won't do a thing but be happy and play."

Forgot It.

From the Kansas City Star.

The London Post observes with surprise that the democratic platform failed to denounce the British on the fact that they aren't too late, however, for Judge Parker to correct this oversight in his letter of acceptance.

His Best Performance.

From the New York Herald.

In David B. Hill's long political career there is nothing so gracious or graceful as his taking off.

The Pie Than Binds.

From the Buffalo Times.

Let Massachusetts extend the glad hand to Virginia. A magistrate in the last-named state holds that pies are necessities of life, and exempts from punishment their vendors, though he has shown no mercy to the luckless cigar dealers, soda-water dispensers and newsmen who have been haled to the bar of justice.

Making Slow Progress.

From the Baltimore Inquirer.

Tom Watson has begun a personally conducted campaign, which may be expected to reach this part of the country a few days after the election.

Christianity Not Expiring.

From the Baltimore American.

There has been a recent summer revival of discussion on the question whether or not Christianity is dying out, whether the influence of the world as it was one century or two centuries ago. Such discussions are by no means uncommon, and their frequent recurrence leads to the question, the weakness of a majority of those who argue that the Christianity of today shows a backward and downward trend comes from their failure to recognize the changed conditions under which the modern church is working. Overlooking these things, taking no cognizance of the changes that have come with the years, most of the arguments they present fall to the ground.

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